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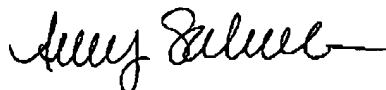
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month from October 18, 2006, to November 18, 2006, within which to respond to the Office Action dated July 18, 2006, is requested. Applicant is entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 the \$60.00 extension fee and any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,



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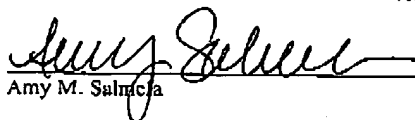
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